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Docket No.: GK-EIS-1106/500593.20099

Applicant(s): Rolf MEYER, et al.

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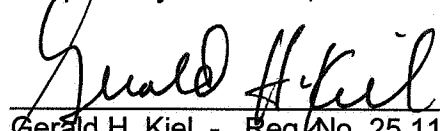
The filing receipt and 371 Acceptance Letter received in the above-identified application (copies attached) contains an error, the first name of the first inventor is misspelled. Enclosed is a copy of the declaration and PTO-1390 transmittal as filed.

Applicant requests a Corrected Filing Receipt, showing 1<sup>st</sup> inventor's first name as follows:

**First Inventor (Applicant): Rolf Meyer** (not Rofit)

It is respectfully requested that a Corrected Filing Receipt and 371 Acceptance Letter be issued showing the 1<sup>st</sup> inventor's first name as indicated above.

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Enclosures:

Copies of marked-up filing receipt,  
371 Acceptance Letter, declaration  
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## FILING RECEIPT



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Receipt is acknowledged of this regular Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please mail to the Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria Va 22313-1450. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

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**Power of Attorney:** The patent practitioners associated with Customer Number **26418**.

**Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant**

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP04/12200 10/28/2004

**Foreign Applications**

GERMANY 103 51 286.1 10/31/2003

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**The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is** **US10/577,508**

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### NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

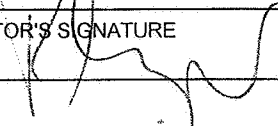
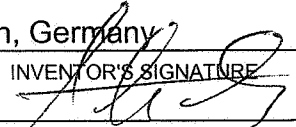
The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

<u>01/03/2007</u>	<u>01/03/2007</u>
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/28/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 01/03/2007
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/28/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/28/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 01/03/2007
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 01/03/2007
- Oath or Declaration filed on 01/03/2007
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/28/2006
- Substitute Specification filed on 01/03/2007
- Assignment filed on 01/03/2007
- Priority Documents filed on 04/28/2006

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</b> <b>COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY</b> <b>FOR PATENT APPLICATION</b>		<b>FILE NO.</b> GK-EIS-1106/ 500593.20099												
<p>As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>INFRARED RECEIVING UNIT AND INFRARED HEADPHONE/HEARING AID</b></p>														
<p>The specification of which</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> was filed on <u>April 28, 2006</u> as United States patent application Serial Number <u>10/577,508</u>.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> was filed on <u>October 28, 2004</u> as PCT international patent application No. <u>PCT/EP2004/012200</u> and was amended on _____ (if any).</p> <p>I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.</p> <p>I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.</p> <p>I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:</p> <p>Prior Foreign Application(s)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">COUNTRY</th> <th style="width: 25%;">APPLICATION NUMBER</th> <th style="width: 25%;">DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)</th> <th style="width: 25%;">PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Germany</td> <td>103 51 286.1</td> <td>31 October 2003</td> <td>YES <u>x</u> NO _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td>YES _____ NO _____</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>I hereby appoint REED SMITH LLP and the members of the firm: Lloyd McAulay, Reg. No. 20,423; Jules E. Goldberg, Reg. No. 24,408; Gerald H. Kiel, Reg. No. 25,116; Eugene LeDonne, Reg. No. 35,930; Stephen Chin, Reg. No. 39,938; Arthur Dresner, Reg. No. 24,403; Harry K. Ahn, Reg. No. 40,243; Sylvia Tan, Reg. No. 47,324, and Bala Sundararajan, Reg. No. 50,900; attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute all business in the Patent &amp; Trademark Office connected therewith and to receive all correspondence.</p> <p>SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO: Gerald H. Kiel, Esq.  <b>REED SMITH LLP</b> <b>CUSTOMER #026418</b>  599 Lexington Avenue  New York, New York 10022-7650 U.S.A.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO: (212) 521-5400</p> <p>I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.</p>			COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119	Germany	103 51 286.1	31 October 2003	YES <u>x</u> NO _____				YES _____ NO _____
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<b>FULL NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR</b> Rolf MEYER	<b>INVENTOR'S SIGNATURE</b> 	<b>DATE</b> 17.08.06												
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Prepared from FORM PTO-1390	Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)	
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Title of Invention:	INFRARED RECEIVER UNIT AND INFRARED HEADPHONE/HEARING AID (INFRAROT-EMPFANGSEINGEIT UND INFRAROT-KOPFHÖRER/HÖRHLIFE)	
Applicant(s) for (DO/EO/US):	Rolf MEYER and Wolfgang NIEHOFF	

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- ☐ 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☒ 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ 3. This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371 (f)]. The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.
- ☐ 4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☐ 5. A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
  - a) ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b) ☐ has been communicated by the international Bureau.
  - c) ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- ☒ 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
  - a) ☒ is attached hereto
  - b) ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☐ 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
  - a) ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b) ☐ have been communicated by the international Bureau.
  - c) ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
  - d) ☐ have not been made and will not be made
- ☐ 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
- ☒ 9. An **EXECUTED** Oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)]
- ☐ 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]

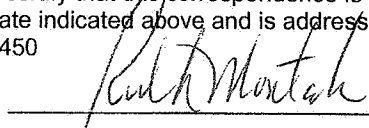
Items 11. to 20. Below concern other document(s) or information included:

- ☒ 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98
- ☐ 12. An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet (PTO-1595) in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ☒ 13. A preliminary amendment
- ☐ 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76
- ☒ 15. A substitute specification with abstract (attached to the preliminary amendment)
- ☐ 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter
- ☐ 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.
- ☐ 18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
- ☐ 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
- ☒ 20. (other items or information) **371 Formalities Letter, PTO-1449 w/Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) February 25, 2005**  
**4 first pages US Patents, 1 GB document, 2 EP documents, 3 DE documents w/1 English Abstract and 1<sup>st</sup> page US equivalent.**

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